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be found, together with those referred to in the body of the book, serves as a valuable guide to whomever desires to get into direct touch with the activities to be found in specific localities. A bibliography and table of contents further increase the usefulness of the volume as a reference work, although it is to be regretted that Price's recent valuable contribution on *The Factory* is not listed; neither do some of the newer related business books appear.

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#### NEW BOOKS

ADLER, F. *Marriage and divorce.* (New York: Appleton. 1915. Pp. 91. 75c.)

AERY, W. A. *Titustown: a community of negro homes.* (Hampton, Va.: Hampton Institute. 1915. Pp. 12.)

AGAR, F. A. *Church finance; a study of wrong methods and the remedy.* (New York: Missionary Education Movement of U. S. and Canada. 1915. Pp. 108. 50c.)

ANDREWS, B. R. *A survey of your household finances.* (New York: Teachers College, Columbia University. 1914. Pp. 16. 10c.)

BANNINGTON, B. G. *English public health administration.* London School of Economics. Studies in economics and political science, no. 46. (London: King. 1915. Pp. xiv, 338. 7s. 6d.)

Designed to be equally useful to students and to officials. According to the preface the volume treats the public health department as an administrative unit of English local government. There are chapters on Protection of the Food Supply and Public Health Finance.

BASHORE, H. B. *Overcrowding and defective housing in the rural districts.* (New York: Wiley. 1915. Pp. x, 92. \$1.)

A discursive presentation of the personal observations of a state health inspector in rural Pennsylvania. Covers land overcrowding, house overcrowding, defective building, and overcrowded and defective schools.

J. F.

BRAILS福德, H. N. *The war of steel and gold. A study of the armed peace.* (New York: Macmillan. 1915. Pp. 340. 80c.)

BELL, W. M., editor. *Addresses at the world's social progress congress, San Francisco, April 1-11, 1915, under the auspices of the committee of one hundred.* (Dayton, O.: Otterbein Press. 1915. Pp. 400. \$1.25.)

BEMAN, L. T. *Selected articles on prohibition of the liquor traffic.* Debaters' handbook series. (White Plains, N. Y.: Wilson. 1915. Pp. 169. \$1.)

BLOOMFIELD, M., editor. *Readings in vocational guidance*. (Boston: Ginn. 1915. Pp. xii, 723. \$2.25.)

BOK, E. *Why I believe in poverty as the richest experience that can come to a boy*. (Boston: Houghton Mifflin. 1915. Pp. 16. 50c.)

BROWN, U. M. *A survey of housing conditions in Burlington, Vermont*. (Burlington, Vt.: Committee on Social Survey. 1915. Pp. 85.)

A compact, well-written study based upon six weeks of research in a Vermont city of 21,000 population. Covers 376 families in 209 houses in 3 districts of the city. Emphasizes questions of sanitation and maintenance of dwellings. J. F.

CARSON, W. E. *The marriage revolt; a study of marriage and divorce*. (New York: Hearst's International Library Co. 1915. Pp. xiv, 481. \$2.)

CHANCE, W. *Building by-laws in rural districts*. (London: King. 1914. Pp. vii, 63. 1s.)

A ten-page history and criticism of British rural building laws together with an annotated text of a "model code of by-laws suitable for rural districts drawn up by the Building By-Laws Reform Association and adopted by the British Constitution Association." The main aim of the "model code" is to exempt buildings "sufficiently isolated from others buildings" from the operation of existing and future building by-laws except those "dealing with drainage and sanitary conveniences." The passage of the "model code" would cheapen construction at the expense of light and ventilation. J. F.

COIT, S. *The soul of America. A constructive essay in the sociology of religion*. (New York: The Macmillan Company. 1914. Pp. x, 405. \$2.00.)

The distinguished leader of the London Ethical Culture Society, like many other thoughtful Americans, even those who have remained at home, seems troubled with doubts as to just what the soul of America is. Anyhow it needs development, and Dr. Coit offers a program to that end. He calls his book "a prospectus for the development of the Soul of America" and writes it "out of the belief that her moral potencies are at present running enormously to waste or lying idle, and are therefore practically as if they were in great part non-existent." But "the ultimate dynamic of all thorough reform in domestic life, in economics and politics, is to be found in the sense of the reality and urgency with which moral principles and social ideals are invested." The hope of America as a factor in the world's history will "henceforth depend" upon the recognition of herself as a spiritual organism which is to be unceasingly guarded against influences from within or without that might lower her standards, . . . and weaken or sidetrack the General Will of the nation. To this end, we must guard strictly against the corroding influences of immigration and the potentially disruptive influences of Roman Catholics, Marxian Socialists, and Some Others (title of chapter 5) and must conserve and concentrate our spiritual resources

into the great power of a self-conscious nationalistic social and ethical democracy.

Nothing, in Dr. Coit's opinion, is accomplished by an attempt at a premature cosmopolitanism. Nations are necessary interest-centers. He therefore proposes the formation of a church with national and ethical ideals, one that will give expression to a real social religion, through a national idealism, and a ritual that will at every turn emphasize loyalty to the nation's spiritual and social mission—whatever it may be—one that eschews the old notion that religion is an individualistic matter and that finds the service of God in the service of man. In short he would introduce into the church services "that sort of national idealism which during the last thirty years has increasingly entered into and emanated from the universities of America, so that all the world knows of the fact and talks of it." "This book itself is a cry to the churches to do what they might for America."

After all, however, the content of the book might well be regarded as an appeal to any nation to upbuild a social and democratic Christianity—minus the supernatural elements to which Dr. Coit objects. Part I deals with Religion and Nationality, part II with the Reinterpretation of Christianity in the Light of Science and American Idealism, part III with the thesis that Christianity should be expressed in scientific language and democratic symbol. The "American idealism" of part II we fear is Dr. Coit's own idealism; and we hear little of America in part III.

We may take this book, the reviewer believes, as a significant sign of the times. It reflects the same recognition of the need of organizing the ideals and the machinery of "the Great Society" that has been pointed out, with more clearness, by Graham Wallas in his book by that name. (See review in *AMERICAN ECONOMIC REVIEW*, vol. V, no. 2, June, 1915, p. 311.) Both books were written before the war, and we can join in the thought which must be in the mind of both writers that the need of spiritual organization is greater today than ever before.

A. B. WOLFE.

CRAIG, F. A. *A study of the housing and social conditions in selected districts of Philadelphia*. (Philadelphia: Henry Phipps Institute. 1915. Pp. 85.)

This is a painstaking bit of social investigation undertaken by specialists in pathology. The aim of the Institute was to gain "a clearer insight into those conditions influencing the course or causation of disease." A year and a half were spent in making the investigation; 1003 houses were examined with a population of 5812. Three races—Jews, Italians, and Negroes—and a fourth miscellaneous and scattered group of patients of the Institute are compared with reference to their living conditions. Eighty-six statistical tables and charts explain and illustrate the text. An important attempt is made to compare the housing conditions (structural) and the general standards of living.

J. F.

- DUNN, H. N. *Infamous juvenile law; crimes against children under the cloak of charity.* (Chicago: Harriet N. Dunn. 1915. Pp. 18.)
- EXNER, M. J. *Problems and principles of sex education; a study of 948 college men.* (New York: Association Press. 1915. Pp. 39. 10c.)
- FARRINGTON, F. *Community development; making the small town a better place to live in and a better place in which to do business.* (New York: Ronald Press. 1915. Pp. 257. \$1.50.)
- FRANKEL, L. K. *Standards in visiting nurse work.* (New York: L. K. Frankel, Metropolitan Life Ins. Co. 1915. Pp. 13.)
- HALL, E. R. *A report on housing conditions in the Oranges.* (Orange, N. J.: Civic Committee of the Woman's Club. Sept., 1915. Pp. 45.)  
Covers several hundred families living in one and two-family houses and tenement houses of Orange, N. J. The housing conditions under which Italians, negroes, and several other races live are contrasted. Contains useful material concerning rentals. The presentation is less clear and systematic than that of the Burlington or Philadelphia reports noted in this list. J. F.
- JENNINGS, W. B. *The social teachings of Christ Jesus. A manual.* (New York: Revell. 1915. Pp. 111. 50c.)
- MABIE, E. C. *University debaters' annual.* (White Plains, N. Y.: Wilson. 1915. Pp. iv, 534. \$1.80.)  
Consists of stenographic reports of the intercollegiate debates of a number of the leading colleges and universities in the academic year 1914-1915. Among the topics are minimum wage, government ownership of telephone and telegraph, socialistic control of the means of production and exchange, and single tax. A well-selected bibliography is presented for each of the topics. G. B. L. A.
- NEWMAN, B. J. *Housing of the city negro.* Paper no. 2 of the Whittier Centre. (Philadelphia: Whittier Centre. 1915. Pp. 8.)  
A study of 1158 Philadelphia homes housing 4891 negroes. Deals primarily with house structure, sanitation, crowding and rentals.
- PARSONS, E. W. C. (John Main, pseud.) *Social freedom; a study of the conflicts between social classifications and personality.* (New York: Putnam. 1915. Pp. 106. \$1.)
- RITCHIE, F. H. *Community work of the Young Men's Christian Association.* (New York: Association Press. 1915. Pp. 96. 35c.)
- SLINGERLAND, W. H. *Child welfare work in Pennsylvania; a co-operative study of child-helping agencies and institutions.* (New York: Russell Sage Foundation. 1915. Pp. 352. \$2.)
- SMITH, E. J. *Maternity and child welfare. A plea for the little ones.* (London: King. 1915. 1s.)
- SPINGARN, A. B. *Laws relating to sex morality in New York City.*

Publications of the Bureau of Social Hygiene. (New York: Century Co. 1915. Pp. xiv, 139. 60c.)

TAYLOR, G. R. *Satellite cities. A study of industrial suburbs.* (New York: Appleton. 1915. Pp. xviii, 333. \$1.50.)

To be reviewed.

WALKER, R. E. *The problem of the southern cotton mill; an analysis of the sociological problem which the southern cotton mill and the operative present to this section of the country.* (Winston-Salem, N. C.: The Skyland Mag. 1915. Pp. 77. 50c.)

*American foundations.* (New York: Russell Sage Foundation. 1915.)

A selected bibliography having special reference to foundations for social welfare.

*Constructive social measures.* (New York: N. Y. Assoc. for Improving Condition of the Poor. 1915.)

A review of two years' work.

*Fourth annual report of the Philadelphia Housing Commission.* (Philadelphia: Housing Commission. 1914.)

*Housing reform and community welfare.* (Philadelphia: Commission on Social Service, Inter-Church Federation. 1915. Pp. 6.)

Prescribed reading and well-framed questions on the subject of housing prepared for the use of social study classes in churches, schools, clubs, etc.

*One hundred views of service work and equipment operating through the divisions of the National Lamp Works of the General Electric Company, Nela Park, Cleveland, Ohio.* (Cleveland: Corday & Gross Co. 1915. Pp. 90.)

*The school and the immigrant.* (New York: Board of Education, Division of Reference and Research. 1915. Pp. 96.)

*Selected bibliography; women in industry.* (New York: National Consumers' League. 1915. Pp. 4.)

*The tenement house law and chapter XIXa of the Greater New York charter in relation to the Tenement House Department of the City of New York.* (New York: Tenement House Dept. 1915. Pp. 89, lxvi.)

## Insurance and Pensions

*Accident and Health Insurance. A Series of Lectures Delivered before the Insurance Institute of Hartford.* Edited and compiled by H. P. DUNHAM and J. E. RHODES, 2ND. (Hartford: Conn.: The Insurance Institute of Hartford, Incorporated. 1915. Pp. 155.)

These thirteen lectures were delivered during the first half-year of 1915 before the Insurance Institute of Hartford. The collection